

Next Steps For Wind Work Group

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Wind Work Group Background

- Established to determine if TBL could relieve constraints on wind developers through changes in its business practices.
- Determined that the measures of relief being sought by the wind developers at that time could only occur through a rate case.
- Received presentations from TBL and PBL that discussed ongoing efforts to provide products that would encourage the development of the region's wind resources.

New Direction

- No particular business practices to address at this point.
- Need for education and dialogue between wind industry, utilities, and transmission owners about barriers and opportunities.
- Opportunity to create a region-specific dialog to deal with issues faced by larger wind developers.
- May bring individual issues back to Business Practices Technical Forum in future.

Goals for Wind Work Group

- Open forum with an open-ended charter – those participating will help define the work of the group.
- Develop an understanding of wind power and the federal and regional rules, regulations, and policies that affect wind power in the Northwest.
- Identify a couple key issues to focus on and move forward.
- BPA to sponsor initial meeting (April 22, 2004).

Potential Topics to Address

- New products & services to region.
- Application of FERC, NERC, WECC rules & regulations specific to wind.
- Regional practices and policies affecting integration of wind generation.
- Education.
- Third party services available to regional wind industry.
- Local & state government initiatives & policies that affect wind.